

Attendance

Harold Drake – WCC
Alex Weber – PF
Chris Pollentier – DNR
Bryan Woodbury– DNR
Michelle Carlisle – DNR
Paul Mayer – FPGF
Jess Carstens – DNR
Gary Dieck – WWF
Dean Edlin – DNR
Kelly Maguire – DNR
Mark Witecha – DNR
Jaqi Christopher – DNR

Introductions

Alex and Jaqi are new to the committee this year.

Spring Hearing Results

1. Make a consistent last day for archery deer, turkey, pheasant and fisher.
 - a. Passed about 3100 votes to 1200
2. Citizen Resolution – Door County. Extend pheasant season from Dec 31 to Feb 28
 - a. Passed 58 votes to 24

Proposal Review

The committee decided to switch to district allocations last biennium to reduce the workload on DNR staff and committee members. With this system, a designated amount of the total funds is given directly to the DNR wildlife districts to distribute to qualified projects. This eliminates the need for DNR staff to fill out a lengthy application and greatly reduces the amount of applications the committee has to review.

For the 2018-19 biennium, there are 4 projects for the committee to review. The total amount of funds available is \$27,000 and the total amount of funds being requested by the applicants is \$52,344.

The committee agrees to give each project partial funding. Funding Results:

Project ID	Funding Request	Funding Awarded
COOP1	\$8,500	\$6,500
COOP2	\$10,000	\$5,000
COOP3	\$9,832	\$7,500
COOP4	\$24,012	\$8,000

COOP4 indicated on their application that they could not accept partial funding, but due to the R3 component of the project, they can potentially get funding from another grant source. If the other funding source falls through and COOP4 declines the partial award given by the Pheasant Committee, the committee agrees to distribute the remaining funds evenly between the remaining projects.

Partner Updates

Kelly McGuire: Game farm production is at 75,000 eggs with 83% hatchability. The new hatchery building is not ready yet, there will be a walk through on the 6th. After testing the machines, hopefully production can begin next year in the new building. The 4 extra pens built last year have been working well to rotate birds and provide routine maintenance. There is a new cold storage building big enough to pull trucks into that will help with crating pheasants. Thank you to the game farm staff; they have been doing a great job even though they are understaffed.

Paul: The Dr. Vic Connors Memorial Trap Shoo is on June 25. It is a fundraiser for FPGF hosted by Rio Conservation Club.

Harold: The learn-to-hunt fall schedule is now on the DNR website and Facebook.